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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA

USA COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE COMPANY. Debtor. In re: USA CAPITAL REALTY ADVISORS, LLC, Debtor. In re: USA CAPITAL DIVERSIFIED TRUST DEED FUND, LLC, Debtor. In re: USA CAPITAL FIRST TRUST DEED FUND, LLC, Debtor. In re: USA SECURITIES, LLC, Debtor. Affects: ☐ All Debtors ■ USA Commercial Mortgage Company □ USA Securities, LLC ☐ USA Capital Realty Advisors, LLC ■ USA Capital Diversified Trust Deed Fund, LLC

Case Nos. BK-S-06-10725 LBR Case Nos. BK-S-06-10726 LBR Case Nos. BK-S-06-10727 LBR Case Nos. BK-S-06-10728 LBR Case Nos. BK-S-06-10729 LBR

Chapter 11

Jointly Administered Under Case No. BK-S-06-10725 LBR

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE DEBTOR USA COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE COMPANY AS LOAN SERVICER TO ACCEPT PAYMENTS AND PROVIDE RECONVEYANCES FOR TWO COLT **GATEWAY LOANS [AFFECTS DEBTORS USA COMMERCIAL** MORTGAGE COMPANY AND USA CAPITAL DIVERSIFIED TRUST DEED FUND, LLC

Date of Hearing: March _____, 2007 Time of Hearing: 9:30 a.m.

☐ USA First Trust Deed Fund, LLC

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Debtor in Possession USA COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE COMPANY ("USACM"), by
and through its counsel Lenard E. Schwartzer, Esq. of the Schwartzer & McPherson Law Firm,
hereby files its "Motion To Authorize Debtor USA Commercial Mortgage Company as Loan
Servicer to Accept Payments and Provide Reconveyances for Two Colt Gateway Loans" (the
"Motion"), requesting that the Court authorize USACM to do the following:

- Authorize USACM to accept payments of two loans (the "Colt Gateway Loans") A. that are owed by Borrower Colt Gateway LLC ("Colt Gateway"). One of the Colt Gateway Loans is being serviced by USACM for three Direct Lenders, one of which is Debtor USA Capital Diversified Trust Deed Fund, LLC ("Diversified"). The second Colt Gateway Loan is owed to USACM as the sole Direct Lender under such loan.
- B. Authorize USACM to provide and authorize reconveyances for the Colt Gateway Loans that are being paid.

This Motion is made and based upon 11 U.S.C. §§ 105 and 363(b)(1), the Points and Authorities set forth herein, the Declarations of Thomas J. Allison on file with this Court, and any arguments presented at the hearing on this Motion. Granting this Motion will benefit not only USACM's bankruptcy estate, but also benefit the Direct Lenders for the Colt Gateway Loans, which include Diversified and USACM.

POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

General Factual Background

- 1. All five Debtors in the caption above (the "Debtors") filed their voluntary petitions for relief under Chapter 11 of Title 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code on April 13, 2006 (the "Petition Date"). The Debtors continue to operate their businesses and possess their property as debtors-in-possession pursuant to Bankruptcy Code §§ 1107 and 1108.
- The statutory predicates for the relief requested herein are 11 U.S.C. § 105 and 11 2. U.S.C. § 363(b)(1).
- 3. Colt Gateway has an outstanding loan obligation currently being serviced by USACM (the "Colt Gateway #1 Loan") that is evidenced by that certain Note dated December 22, 2002, as modified in July 2003, for an original principal loan amount of Eight Million Seven

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Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$8,700,000) ("Note 1").1 Note 1 is secured by a lien established against real property of Colt Gateway in the City of Hartford, Hartford County, Connecticut, by that certain Mortgage Deed and Security Agreement dated as of December 22, 2002, recorded on January 24, 2003, and modified on July 9, 2003, recorded on August 1, 2003, all in the Hartford Land Records of Hartford County, Connecticut ("Mortgage 1"). The Colt Gateway #1 Loan was not included in Schedule 1 or Schedule 2 of the Asset Purchase Agreement dated December 8, 2006 (the "Compass APA"), between Debtors and Compass Partners, LLC ("Compass") (see Bankruptcy Case Docket No. 2164), and therefore was not included in the sale of certain assets of USACM to Compass. Diversified did not sell any of its assets to Compass pursuant to the Compass APA. See, Declaration of Thomas J. Allison in Support of Motion To Authorize Debtor USA Commercial Mortgage Company as Loan Servicer to Accept Payments and Provide Reconveyances for Two Colt Gateway Loans being filed contemporaneously herewith ("Allison Declaration") at ¶ 5.

- The current principal balance of the Colt Gateway #1 Loan is \$5,905,051.40. The 4. additional amounts that were owed on the Colt Gateway #1 Loan as of February 28, 2007, along with the per diem for the interest accrual, are as follows: Non-Default Interest: \$1,787,468.38 (per diem of \$3,205.22); Default Interest: \$50,000.00; Late Fees: \$89,937.41; Origination Fee: 1,700,000.00. See, Allison Declaration at 6.
- 5. The Direct Lenders for the Colt Gateway #1 Loan are the Estate of Daniel Tabas ("Tabas"), Fertitta Enterprises, Inc. ("Fertitta"), and Diversified. Their respective undivided interests in the Colt Gateway #1 Loan are approximately as follows: Fertitta – 46.0%; Tabas -11.5%; Diversified – 42.5%. See, Allison Declaration at \P 7.
- 6. Colt Gateway also has an outstanding loan obligation owed solely to USACM as the sole Direct Lender (the "Colt Gateway #2 Loan"). The Colt Gateway #2 Loan is evidenced by that certain Note dated August 18, 2003, as modified on January 17, 2004, for an original principal

¹ As set forth more fully in paragraph 10 below, Diversified maintains that certain advances to Colt Gateway were made as additional advances on Note 1, and nothing contained in this Motion shall be construed to in any way impact or affect Diversified's rights in connection with such contentions; nor shall anything herein be deemed an admission against Diversified.

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loan amount of One Million Dollars (\$ 1,000,000) ("Note 2"). Note 2 is secured by a lien established against real property of Colt Gateway in the City of Hartford, Hartford County, Connecticut, by that certain Mortgage Deed and Security Agreement dated as of August 19, 2003, recorded on September 8, 2003, in the Hartford Land Records of Hartford County, Connecticut ("Mortgage 2" and together with Mortgage 1, the "Mortgages"). The Colt Gateway #2 Loan was not included in Schedule 1 or Schedule 2 of the Compass APA, and therefore was not included in the sale of certain assets of USACM to Compass. See, Allison Declaration at ¶ 8.

- 7. The current principal balance of the Colt Gateway #2 Loan is \$1,000,000.00. The additional amounts that were owed on the Colt Gateway #2 Loan as of February 28, 2007, along with the per diem for the interest accrual, are as follows: Non-Default Interest: \$704,567.54 (per diem of \$710.24); Late Fees: \$8,950.64; Extension Fee: \$40,000.00. See, Allison Declaration at ¶ 9.
- 8. Colt Gateway has agreed to pay both of the Colt Gateway Loans, and has requested payoff letters from USACM. As part of the payoff discussions, USACM has agreed that default interest of \$50,000.00 will be charged on the Colt Gateway Loans in connection with the payoffs of the Colt Gateway Loans. See, Allison Declaration at ¶ 10.
- 9. Diversified made additional advances to Colt Gateway. On July 10, 2003, Diversified provided Colt Gateway with an additional \$1,500,000 advance (the "Div 1 Advance"). On September 26, 2003, Diversified provided Colt Gateway with an additional \$3,718,777 advance (the "CREC Advance"). On April 1, 14 and 23, 2004, Diversified provided Colt Gateway with additional advances in the aggregate amount of \$3,100,000 (the "Div 2 Advance").
- 10. The Official Committee of Equity Security Holders of USA Capital Diversified Trust Deed Fund, LLC (the "DTDF Committee"), on behalf of Diversified, contends the Div 1 Advance, Div 2 Advance and the CREC Advance (collectively the "Subsequent Diversified Advances") also are secured by the Note 1 and Mortgage 1. Nevertheless, upon completion of the transaction outlined in this Motion, the DTDF Committee on behalf of Diversified has agreed that Mortgage 1 may be fully reconveyed, notwithstanding the contentions of the DTDF Committee with respect to the Subsequent Diversified Advances. The DTDF Committee on behalf of

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Diversified is willing to enter into an agreement with Colt Gateway and Homes for America Holdings defining its reservation of rights.

- 11. The DTDF Committee has requested that USACM allocate to Diversified a portion of the \$1,700,000 origination fee that is to be collected on the Colt Gateway #1 Loan (the "Origination Fee") on the basis that the Origination Fee should be attributable in part to the Subsequent Diversified Advances. The Unsecured Creditors Committee, on behalf of USACM, has agreed that the \$1,700,000 Origination Fee (after it has been paid as part of the payoff of the Colt Gateway #1 Loan) should be allocated \$1,300,000 to Diversified, and \$400,000 to USACM. See, Allison Declaration at ¶ 11.
- 12. Among other powers, USACM as Servicer has generally been authorized by the Court to exercise in the ordinary course of business all of the powers that a loan servicer customarily exercises for a serviced loan that is being paid in full and with respect to the related real or personal property securing such loan. These powers include executing and delivering the following documents: demands for payoff, final payoff statements, instruments of satisfaction or cancellation, and instruments of or authorizations for full release, discharge, or reconveyance (the "Loan Servicer Powers"). See, Allison Declaration at ¶ 12.
- 13. USACM asserts that exercising its Loan Servicer Powers is an ordinary course of business transaction that does not require Court approval under 11 U.S.C. § 363(c)(1). Nevertheless, in an abundance of caution, USACM is filing this Motion to request a Court order specifically authorizing USACM to exercise its Loan Servicer Powers with respect to the anticipated payment in full of the Colt Gateway Loans. See, Allison Declaration at ¶ 13.

Statement of the Law

- 14. USACM is engaged in the business of servicing fractional interests in various commercial loans. As part of that business, USACM customarily receives requests for payoff statements for the loans that it is servicing or for loans in its own loan portfolio as well as requests that USACM exercise its Loan Servicer Powers in connection with the payoffs of such loans. See, Allison Declaration at ¶ 14.
 - 15. USACM has reviewed the requested loan payoffs for the Colt Gateway Loans. It is

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USACM's business judgment that it would be beneficial to the Direct Lenders of the Colt Gateway Loans (including the bankruptcy estates of USACM and Diversified) if USACM accepted the payoffs of the Colt Gateway Loans and exercised its Loan Servicer Powers in connection with the payoffs of the Colt Gateway Loans. See, Allison Declaration at ¶ 15.

- 16. Although USACM's acceptance of the payoffs of the Colt Gateway Loans and exercise of its Loan Servicer Powers arguably is in the ordinary course of USACM's business that would require no Court approval, with the oversight being requested by the Four Official Committees and the United States Trustee, USACM has brought this Motion for Court approval. See, Allison Declaration at ¶ 16.
- 17. Colt Gateway has agreed that the payoffs of the Colt Gateway Loans and the reconveyances of the Mortgages do not and will not in any way affect the rights of Diversified and the DTDF Committee with respect to the transactions concerning the Div 1 Advance, Div 2 Advance and the CREC Advance.
- Section 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Court allows this Court to "issue any order, 18. process, or judgment that is necessary or appropriate to carry out the provisions of [the Bankruptcy Code]." 11 U.S.C. § 105(a). Under Section 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, the Court has expansive equitable powers to fashion any order or decree that is the interest of preserving or protecting the value of the debtor's assets. See, Chinician v. Campolongo (In re Chinichian), 784 F.2d 1440, 1443 (9th Cir. 1986) ("Section 105 sets out the power of the bankruptcy court to fashion orders as necessary pursuant to the purposes of the Bankruptcy Code.")
- 19. If USACM's use of its Loan Servicer Powers in connection with the payoffs of the Colt Gateway Loans these transactions was viewed as an extraordinary transaction, such that the "ordinary course of business" authorization of Section 363(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code does not apply, Section 363(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code provides the necessary authority for the Court to authorize USACM to exercise its Loan Servicer Powers. Section 363(b)(1) provides that a debtor in possession, "after notice and a hearing, may use, sell, or lease, other than in the ordinary course of business, property of the estate." "Section 363 of the [Bankruptcy] Code seems on its face to confer upon the bankruptcy judge virtually unfettered discretion to authorize the use, sale or lease,

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Holders v. Lionel Corp. (In re Lionel Corp.), 722 F.2d 1063, 1069 (2 nd Cir. 1983).	

20. To approve the use, sale or lease of property other than in the ordinary course of business, there must be "a sound business purpose [that] justifies such actions." In re Montgomery Ward Holding Corp., 242 B.R. 147, 153 (D. Del. 1999). Under the circumstances outlined above, USACM's business judgment that USACM should be authorized to accept the payoffs of the Colt Gateway Loans and exercise its Loan Servicer Powers in connection with the payoffs of the Colt Gateway Loans is fully supported by the "business judgment test" which is the standard for approval of transactions under Section 363(b)(1). Id.

CONCLUSION

The Debtor requests that the Motion be granted, and that the Court: (a) authorize USACM to accept the payments of the two Colt Gateway Loans, consistent with the terms outlined above in this Motion, (b) authorize USACM to exercise its Loan Servicer Powers in connection with the repayments of the two Colt Gateway Loans, including providing and authorizing reconveyances for the collateral securing the Colt Gateway Loans (including without limitation releasing the Mortgages), and (c) authorize USACM to execute all documents and take all other necessary steps required to implement any of the foregoing actions.

DATED: February 27, 2007.

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